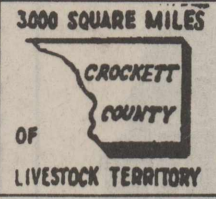


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REP. BOB TURNER (second from right) joins in the ribbon cutting ceremony at Ozona Municipal Airport. Judge Jeffrey Sutton (right) commended Turner for his assistance in getting the project completed. Others pictured are: Willa Perry, Shirley Kirby and J.D. McCollum of Ozona Chamber of Commerce, Danny Weant of UPR, and Charles McCleary, airport board president.

Ozona team back to work Community sending aid to Del Rio flood victims

"As usual, residents and businesses of Ozona are answering the call from people in need," said Shannon Hunnicutt of Ozona Chamber of Commerce. "Throughout the community, donations of food, clothing, household items and money are being gathered to aid flood victims in Del Rio.

In an effort led by Carmen Sutton, the Ozona Chamber of Commerce has set up donation boxes at T&T Village Supermarket, T&C Village Market, Small Fashions, Monica's Hair and Nails, and the chamber office. J. R. Bhakta of the Comfort Inn has pledged that for one month, \$1.00 for every room rented will be donated to this cause. Also, Joe Tobar of El Chato's Restaurant has pledged that for one week, \$1.00 of each plate served will be donated to these flood victims. T&T Village Supermarket has donated bottled water and canned goods. The local T&C Village Market and Town & Country Convenience Store, through Town & Country Food Stores, Inc., and in conjunction with their suppliers, donated over 7,600 gallon jugs of water, which were distributed in the first two days of the disaster, to flood victims and to household residents of the affected area.

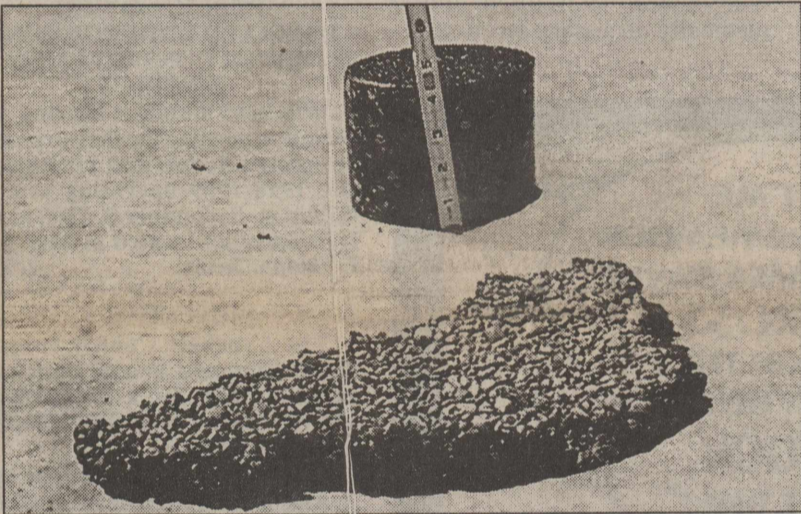
Helping Hands sent two trailers filled with clothes and other needed items last weekend. Local churches are also involved in the relief effort, as well as many individuals who have traveled to Del Rio to help with clean up efforts.

In addition to the donation boxes in Ozona, there is a collection point in Del Rio at the corner of Sixth Street and Highway 90, in the old HEB Building. They are in specific need of the following items: money, household items, non-perishable canned goods, flour, rice, cereal, peanut butter and jelly, towels, wash cloths and insect repellent. If you have clothes to send, please sort them by size and gender. This will expedite the process of getting the clothes to those who need them.

Checks may be mailed to the following address, given to a local church or brought to the chamber office and should be made to: Disaster Donation Mgmt. Center, C/O Del Rio Chamber of Commerce, 1915 Ave. F, Del Rio, TX 78840.

For further information, call 1-830-775-3551 in Del Rio, or you may call the Ozona Chamber of Commerce at 392-3737.

"Ozona has long been known as 'a nice place to live or visit,'" said Mrs. Hunnicutt. "Through efforts such as these, it will also be known as a good neighbor."



BEFORE AND AFTER representations are shown of the surface of the airport runway. In the background is a core sample cut from the new runway.

Commissioners address drainage problems

Heavy rains and high water in Johnson Draw created a problem with access to Chandlerdale West last week. The ongoing drainage problems were discussed by commissioners at a called meeting Aug. 25. The possibility of placing a bridge or culverts in the draw and temporary emergency outlets off I-10 were considered by commissioners.

"The Soil Conservation said we can't do anything to the draw until their engineers approve," Eddie Moore told commissioners.

A meeting has been set for 9 a.m. Sept. 2 with a state engineer regarding options for a bridge or other passage to Chandlerdale West.

Status of health insurance for county employees was also discussed by the court. Representatives of West Texas Rural Counties Association have been to Ozona five times in the past two weeks to meet with groups of employees and to help resolve claim problems.

Returns from the Aug. 22 school bond election were canvassed. The court attested to 20 votes for and 158 votes against the election.

An agenda item to approve payment to Sunwest Construction was tabled pending assessment of the air conditioning system at the new annex building. Sunwest had been in Ozona for two days of work on the air conditioning, but humidity remained high in the building. A Carrier representative was to come look at the equipment.

In the absence of County Attorney Bill Mason, the agenda item to discuss and approve policy on county attorney charges was tabled until the next meeting of the court.

No action was taken on an agenda item regarding conflict of interest of Gerald Creel as a member of the care center administrator screening committee. The work of the screening committee was already complete when the court met Aug. 25.

Applicants for the care center administrator were screened down from 22 to 10 with six of those 10 to be interviewed by the health services board. Their recommendation will be made to the court.

During the budget workshop, a number of citizens appeared to support a request for a salary increase for Helping Hands director Janet Hill McDaniel. Mrs. McDaniel has been working for considerably less than other county employees and will work even more hours once the new senior citizens building is completed. The court agreed to the increase and an increased budget for the building to cover utilities, etc.

They also approved a budget request by Deputy Dan Griffith who teaches the D.A.R.E. program in Ozona schools to cover increased expenses from addition of another campus to the program.

Bids for the new senior citizens building are to be opened and examined Sept. 9 at 10:30 a.m. A vote will be taken at the regular meeting on Sept. 14.

Board approves tax rate for improvement project

In a special meeting of the Ozona School Board that was held on Wednesday, Aug. 28, trustees approved an interest and sinking fund tax rate of \$0.089 per \$100.00 of assessed value. The interest and sinking fund tax rate will be for a period of five years and will be used to fund the

district's \$2,965,000.00 capital improvement project approved by local voters on Saturday, Aug. 22.

The capital improvement project calls for the remodeling of Ozona Middle School with additional classrooms, restrooms, offices and a computer lab. New construction will also include new library facilities. Ozona Middle School Gymnasium will be remodeled to provide additional seating and storage areas, and Davidson Gymnasium will be remodeled for the purpose of making this gym Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) handicapped accessible.

The members also voted to approve the taking of bids for the purchase of a large diesel bus for school activities.

The Weather

Rain

Date	Hi	Lo	Rain
Aug 24	82	70	.6
Aug 25	79	67	1.16
Aug 26	86	70	.08
Aug 27	89	67	.15
Aug 28	91	69	0-
Aug 29	93	69	0-
Aug 30	94	62	0-

(Readings are for a 24 hour period beginning at 8 a.m.)
 Reported by Ozona Butane Co for the National Weather Service

4-Day Forecast

Wed.	Thur.
Hi 95 Lo 66 partly cloudy	Hi 95 Lo 67 partly cloudy
Fri.	Sat.
Hi 95 Lo 67 partly cloudy	Hi 95 Lo 69 partly cloudy

The Weather Channel

Lions tackle Mendard Yellowjackets

By David Screws
 STOCKMAN SPORTSWRITER

The Ozona Lions football squads put together an impressive short passing game combined with some talented running as they played a fairly even-handed game against the Mendard Yellowjackets in the final scrimmage matchup before the real season begins. A nice size crowd of followers were treated to an exciting afternoon of football. The varsity and junior varsities combined for a total of four touchdowns while giving up three to the Yellowjackets.

The JV kicked things off in a hurry when Luis Cruz raced 17 yards through the Yellowjacket defense for a score on only the sixth play of Ozona's first offensive set. The defen-

sive effort by the junior varsity was a little bit porous, giving up a pair of scores, but the offense came back to even the match on a 19 yard scamper by Leon Garcia. Stephen Tarr engineered both scoring drives at the quarterback slot.

Ozona's varsity also marched the ball the length of the field in their first set of 20 plays, but the going became tough when they got inside the Yellowjacket 30-yard line. Menard forced the Lions to fight for every inch of ground, including the last three inches. The Lions ran eight plays inside the 30 and two of those were fourth down situations before Ross Crawford sneaked across on 4th down and inches to go.

The varsity defense gave up a quick score before shutting down the

Yellowjackets. In Menard's last set of 10 plays the defensive backfield batted away or intercepted three deep passes.

Late in the scrimmage, with the varsities knotted at one score apiece, Tarr came back in to guide the offense. After Tarr ran for about 25 yards himself, the offense worked the ball into scoring position. Tarr connected with Ken Sessom for a touchdown pass that gave the Lions a 2-1 edge for the evening.

The junior varsity next takes on Grape Creek on Sept. 3 while the varsity hosts the Eagles in what is going to be the history-making first varsity contest for Grape Creek High School. The Ozona Lions are gearing to make it a night the Eagles will want to forget. That game is Friday, Sept. 4, at 8 p.m. in Lion Stadium.

Millspaugh legacy shared with Museum

"The Sid and Dorothy Baker Millspaugh Estate has graciously given the Crockett County Museum a collection of antique and vintage memorabilia pieces," announced Geniece Childress. Many of the articles are from the Sterling Baker and John Martin of Sonora families.

"The Crockett County Museum is indebted to the Millspaugh children for this gift which will enhance and enrich the museum," continued Mrs. Childress.

The Millspaugh children are Linda Millspaugh Aysseh of New Canaan, CT, Marilyn Millspaugh West of Colorado Springs, CO and Sidney

S. Millspaugh of San Antonio.

The collection includes glassware, china, clothing, books on life and history of Texas, particularly in West Texas and of the early Indians. These books will be available for students and the public's research.

Dorothy and Sid Millspaugh married in Sonora and came as young ranchers to Crockett County. They made their home on the ranch and in Ozona all their lives. He died in 1952 and she in 1997.

"The Crockett County Museum is deeply indebted and grateful for the unselfish, generous gift," said Mrs. Childress. "Dorothy and Sid and their children will long be remembered."



"GET ON UP HERE FRED, the water is coming up fast!" These spanish goats appear to be escaping flood waters, but there're really just after tender leaves in the trees.

DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

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HIGHLIGHTS
 By Ed Sterling
 TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer is considering a rollback that would save Texans more than \$700 million on insurance premiums next year.

The proposed rate cut was made possible by tort reform legislation limiting lawsuits against insurers and others in Texas.

Money that insurers save from fewer court cases and lower claims is offset by corresponding rate reductions set by the commissioner, under a bargain struck between legislators and insurers in 1995.

Lawyers Seek Better Image
 Four hundred lawyers met last week in Austin and discussed how to improve the public's perception of the legal profession.

Surveys by the State Bar of Texas show most Texans believe they are less ethical than members of any other profession except politicians.

Richard Pena, president of the State Bar, encouraged his colleagues to spread the word that lawyers are "the glue that holds this country together" and to make that message part of the State Bar's ongoing campaign to restore public trust.

Panelists in the discussion agreed lawyers should stop filing frivolous lawsuits and refrain from

bashing judges and each other.

In a report by *The Dallas Morning News*, lawyer-lobbyist Denise Brady, an advocate for the disabled, said the state bar campaign is a good idea, but "as long as the majority of people feel that if they need a lawyer they won't be able to afford one, then the perception is not going to change."

Flooding Taints Water Supply
 Flooding caused by tropical storm Charley could affect other public water systems and private wells, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission warned last week.

The city of Del Rio's public water supply was shut down due to contamination by floodwaters.

The Texas Department of Health recommended that residents in stricken areas avoid ingesting water that may be flood-contaminated and use bottled water or boil water before drinking.

Other Capital Highlights
 ■ John Hill said he won't seek reappointment to the Texas Lottery Commission when his term expires in February. Hill said he wanted to avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest after his law firm announced plans to merge with the law firm of Lottery Commission Chairwoman Harriet Miers.

■ Major daily newspapers have filed open records requests to learn how much profit Geac, the firm that operates the Texas Lottery, has earned from running the state's games of chance.

■ The Texas Low Level Radioactive Waste Authority last week downplayed the opinions of two hearing examiners (judges) who impugned the agency's proposal to build a nuclear waste repository near Sierra Blanca. The judges said a fault beneath the site has not been sufficiently studied.

■ Attorney general candidate John Cornyn, a Republican, last

week said Texas should allow counties to handle child support collection cases and let private contractors handle the rest of child support enforcement. To do that would require a waiver from the federal government.

■ State Auditor Lawrence Alwin has recommended two pay raises — 3.9 percent in 2000 and 3.9 percent in 2001 — for about 150,000 state employees. Alwin estimates the cost to total \$472 million and says the raises are needed because valuable workers are leaving for higher pay in private-sector jobs.

■ Rice University, at No. 18, is the only Texas school in the nation's top 50 public and private colleges in 1998, as ranked by *U.S. News & World Report*. For the past 12 years, the magazine has ranked schools based on academic reputation, retention, faculty, student body, finances, graduation rate and alumni support.

■ The Department of Public Safety and local police seized cash and 68 "eight-liner" video gambling machines at four businesses in the Dallas area last week. The ban on the Las Vegas-style machines has been in place for six months.

■ Larry Paul Manley has resigned as executive director of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to resume his career in law and investment banking. Manley recently had been criticized for his agency's failure to spend more than \$100 million in federal funds to help poor families secure better housing.

■ Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer will hold a public hearing Sept. 24 to gather information on how best to enforce Texas law that prohibits managed care organizations from offering financial incentives to physicians or providers that result in limiting medically necessary services.

MONDAY

at 5:00 p.m. is
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DEADLINE

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE
THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF CROCKETT COUNTY, TEXAS, will be opening bids for furnishing all labor and materials for a Senior Citizen Center on September 9, 1998, at 10:30 a.m.

The Successful Bidder will be required to furnish surety satisfactory to the Commissioner's Court of Crockett County and shall also be required to furnish Crockett County assurance that all accidents, liabilities and property damage shall be assumed by said Contractor. Such bidders are expected to inspect the site of work and to inform themselves of all conditions.

Plans, Proposal forms, Specification and Contract Documents may be examined at the office of Crockett County Judge Sutton, Ozona, Texas and may be obtained from JACK E. MEEK, Associate, Architects, (915) 944-2365, P.O. Box 3571, San Angelo, Texas 76902, with \$25.00 deposit for each set as a guarantee of the safe return of the plans and specifications in good condition within three (3) days of bid opening.

Any bid received after stated opening time will not be considered and will be returned unopened.

The Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted.

John Stokes
 Crockett County Auditor
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PUBLIC NOTICE
EMERALD UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Will hold a budget hearing and adoption meeting for the purpose of adopting a Budget and Tax Rate for the 1998-1999 operating year at 4:00 p.m. September 8, 1998 at the District office located at 1102 Ave. I, Ozona, Texas. 2c29

BIDS NOTICE
 The Crockett County consolidated Common School District is soliciting bids for a 79-passenger activity school bus. Specifications are shown below:

1. Conventional or coach type bus
2. Allison automatic transmission
3. 5.7 liter Cummins or 6V or 8V Detroit diesel engine
4. Air conditioning with extra insulation package.
5. AM/FM radio tape player
6. Dark tint passenger-side windows
7. Rear heater (auxiliary).
8. School name lettering (Crockett County Consolidated CSD)
9. White roof with escape hatches
10. Maximum seating and knee spacing
11. Maximum storage compartments underneath
12. Driver's seat air-ride type
13. Fuel tank; increased capacity
14. Escape side windows
15. New tires or acceptable condition.

Bids will be accepted until 2:00 P.M., September 24, 1998. For additional information, contact Pete Maldonado or Mae Lay at 915-392-5501. 2c30

New \$20 bill features anti-counterfeiting devices

Don't be alarmed when the bank teller hands you \$20 bills that look like play money. September 24 marks the date the new Andrew Jacksons will be showing up around the country.

Designed to improve the security of our currency, the Series 1996 \$20 note is the first widely used bill to be redesigned. New \$50 and \$100 notes already have been introduced, but it's the twenty that is given most often in change at banks, retail outlets and through ATM machines.

The new note is the result of a five-year study focused on staying ahead of the counterfeiting threat. In addition, the new U.S. currency incorporates features that will make it more readily identifiable, especially for the visually impaired.

The first noticeable change on the new \$20 bill is a larger and off-center portrait of Jackson, the nation's seventh president. The larger portrait incorporates more detail making it difficult to counterfeit and easier to identify.



Tips from Your Community Banker

But beware of counterfeiters who may try to take advantage of those who are not familiar with the bill's new design.

- **Federal Reserve Indicators:** The entire Federal Reserve System is represented by a new seal. The letter and number under the left serial number identify the issuing Federal Reserve Bank.
- **Fine Line Printing:** Behind the portrait and around the historic building on the back, there are fine-line printing patterns. This makes the line structure appear normal to the eye but difficult to replicate.
- **Serial Numbers:** An additional letter is added to the serial number.
- **Watermark:** A watermark identical to the portrait is visible from both sides against a light.
- **Color-Shifting Ink:** The numeral on the lower right corner of the face of the note changes from green to black when viewed from different angles.
- **Security Thread:** Each denomination is positioned with the use of a unique security thread. This is a type of thread or ribbon that runs through a bank note substrate. The new \$20 bill features the thread to the far left of the portrait and glows green when held under ultraviolet light. The words "USA Twenty" and a flag can be seen from both sides against the light.
- **Microprinting:** "The United States of America" is on the lower edge ornamentation of the oval framing in the portrait. On the front of the note, "USA 20" is repeated within the number in the lower left corner.

Provided as a public service by the Independent Bankers Association of Texas (IBAT)

Political Announcements

The following candidates have authorized The Ozona Stockman to announce their intentions to file as candidates for posts in the 1998 General Election.

Justice of the Peace:
 James M. (Jim) Hearne
 Pol. adv. pd. for by James M. Hearne, Box 354, Ozona, Texas 76943

County Judge:
 Jeffrey Sutton
 Pol. adv. pd. for by Jeffrey Sutton, Box 1534, Ozona, Texas 76943

District Judge:
 Brock Jones
 Pol. adv. pd. for by Brock Jones Campaign, M. Brock Jones Jr., Treasurer, H.C. 69, Box 35, Ozona, Texas 76943

Commissioner - Pct. 2
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 Pol. adv. pd. for by Pleas Childress III, Box 877, Ozona, Texas 76943

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 Pol. adv. pd. for by Burl Myers, Box 3060, Ozona, Texas 76943



Jean Marshall--Cook-of-the-Week

Cook of the Week Jean Marshall has been an Ozona resident 12 years. She lives in a log home on a secluded lot on Live Oak Street.

Jean and her late husband, Everett, moved to Ozona from Kerrville where they had built two homes. They had never even dreamed of having a log home, Jean said, until a real estate lady helping sell their home there brought a log home magazine to them.

Mrs. Marshall had retired from his work as a construction superintendent in Austin when they moved to Kerrville. His love of building led him back into the business however.

Mrs. Marshall says she was called by the Lord to work with retarded children, and she did this for three years in Kerrville.

"I'm very well pleased with being here," she said of her life in Ozona. My testimony is "He's dealt bountifully with me." She enjoys people and is pleased to conduct guests on a tour of her unusual home including a pause by the sewing machine Everett gave here when she was 18.

Mrs. Marshall's son, Michael, is in the computer business in Austin. Her grandson, Jimmy, lives in the Houston area.

Jean Marshall's Gourmet Peanut Brittle

In a buttered 3 qt. saucepan, combine 1 1/2 c. (each) of light corn syrup and sugar with 1/2 c. water. Cook over low heat. Stir until dissolved and comes to a boil. Put in candy thermometer. Boil over high heat without stirring until temperature reaches 280 degrees.

Lower heat and stir in 2 cups unsalted peanuts and 2 T butter. Cook, stirring until 300 degrees is reached. Take away from heat.

Stir into hot brittle 1 tsp. soda. (Use wooden spoon.) Stir well.

Have ready two buttered pieces of heavy duty foil. Pour peanut brittle into two batches, making rounded puddles. When cool enough, work around edges, pulling outward until very thin. Turn over to cool. Store in airtight containers.

Note: have warm water ready to put hot candy thermometer into, and a sink full of hot water to put pan used for cooking brittle.

Shrimp Luncheon Dish

3 T butter or margarine
1 onion, minced

- 1 green pepper, minced
 - 1 clove garlic, minced
 - 1/4 c. pimiento, minced
 - 1 c. rice
 - 1/2 c. mushrooms
 - 1 1/2 c. shrimp, cleaned
 - 1 tsp. salt
 - 1 bay leaf
 - 2 c water
- Melt butter or margarine in pan over medium high heat. Add onion, green pepper, garlic, pimiento and rice, then mushrooms and shrimp. Add salt, bay leaf and water.

Cover. When steaming, turn to low heat and simmer for 30 minutes. (Cook in electric skillet.) Serves 4.

Key Lime Pie

- 1 pkg. (3 oz.) lime Jello
- 1 c. boiling water
- 1 to 2 tsp. grated lime rind
- 1/2 c. lime juice
- 1 egg yolk, well beaten
- 15 oz. can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 egg white, stiffly beaten
- Few drops green food coloring
- 9 lady fingers, split (Regular pie crust may be used.)

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Add lime rind and juice. Pour slowly into beaten egg yolk, stirring constantly.

Add condensed milk and chill until slightly thickened. Fold in beaten egg white. Add coloring. Pour into a 9" pie pan lined with lady fingers. Chill until firm. Garnish with whipped cream.

No Peep Casserole

- 2 lbs. beef cubes
- 1 can mushroom soup
- 1 pkg. onion soup mix
- 2 1/2 oz. can mushrooms
- 1/2 c. red wine

If necessary, cut beef into one-inch cubes. Place in a 2-qt. covered casserole. Spread mushroom soup over beef. Sprinkle onion soup mix over mushroom soup. Add canned mushrooms and wine and stir mixture. Place cover on casserole and cook in 300 degree oven for 3 hours without peeking. May be served over rice or noodles. This recipe is easy to freeze.

Pineapple Cottage Pudding

- Cream together:
- 1 egg
- 1 c. sugar
- 1 stick butter

Alpha Alpha Mu kicks off year with excursion

By Debbie Gaskill

The Alpha Alpha Mu Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority celebrated its annual kick-off event on Aug. 21, with dinner at Henry's Restaurant and a movie at "\$1.50 Cinema".

We loaded Adrienne Cook, Shawna Hopper, Donna Wiley and Robin McNeely in Tonya Bullard's vehicle and Dana Cowen, Debbie Gaskill, Sandy Screws and Patricia Sutton in Tonya Poindexter's vehicle, and with Jackie Necessary bringing up the rear in her van, we convoyed to San Angelo. Along for the ride were two guests, Kris Ross and Sharon Bullard.

If you haven't eaten at Henry's Restaurant, you're in for a treat. Our

new vice-president, Adrienne Cook, welcomed us back for a new year. We then caught up on what everyone did during the summer break while feasting on Mexican dishes. We all piled back into the vehicles and headed for the "\$1.50 Cinema" and even though a couple of us had already seen "Horse Whisperer" it was an almost unanimous decision to view it again. Without sounding like a movie critic, I must say the movie would have been well worth the regular price. The story was great and the scenery outstanding. The cast did a wonderful job as was evident with all of us leaving the theatre sniffing and drying our eyes.

We are all looking forward to an eventful 1998-99 season to visit with and learn from our fellow sisters.

Preceptor Mu Chi opens year with scavenger hunt

By Nancy Davee

Preceptor Mu Chi members met at Nancy Hale's house Monday, Aug. 24, for the 1998-99 year kick off. The executive committee hosted the meeting, the meal and the fun.

After the delicious meal of chicken spaghetti, green salad, garlic buttered french bread and peach cobbler and ice cream prepared by Donna Sanders, Jeannie Wellman, Nancy Davee and Zoe Green, there was a

Georgia Kirby returned Aug. 25 from a visit in Hartsdale, NY, with her daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Leland Hoch.

Mix well with:

- 2 c. flour
 - 1 c. milk
 - 1/2 tsp. salt
 - 3 tsp. baking powder and fold in last, 1/3 c. crushed pineapple (drained)
- Bake in 9"x9" pan at 375 degrees.

Sauce:

- 1/2 c. sugar
 - 2/3 c. pineapple (the remainder from a flat can that was left from the cake)
 - 1 egg
- Cook until thick in the top of a double boiler. Just before you remove from heat, add 10 large marshmallows and stir until they melt. Allow to chill and before serving fold in 1/2 pint of cream, whipped.
- This makes enough to serve 8 or 9 people and keeps moist. The sauce may be used on any plain cake.

JoLynn Vannoy
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THE BEAUTIFUL CROCKETT COUNTY COURTHOUSE has been selected by the Ozona Garden Club as Garden of the Month. The beds are full of native plants including different colors of sage, ceniza and others for everyone to enjoy. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

Ozona Chamber of Commerce COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Sept. 2 - Commissioners Court 9 a.m. Annex Bldg.
- Sept. 4 - 5th Qtr. FBC Hoover Bldg.
- Sept. 5 - Western Jamboree, Square 7 p.m.
- Sept. 5-7 - Dan Bean Roping
- Sept. 10 - Cub Scout Rally, 7 p.m. Primary Cafeteria
- Sept. 11 - OHS Homecoming
- Sept. 11 - 5th Qtr. Location TBA
- Sept. 11-12 - Classes of '53-'57 Reunion, Circle Bar RV Park Party Barn
- Sept. 29-Oct. 1 - Grant Writing I Seminar, County Extension Bldg.
- Sept. 18 - 5th Qtr. Methodist Fellowship Hall
- Oct. 16 - 5th Qtr. 5th Qtr. Thompson Ranch
- Oct. 17 - Ft. Lancaster Living History Tour
- Oct. 30 - 5th Qtr. Convention Center
- Nov. 7 - Arts & Crafts Fair, Convention Center. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Nov. 20-22 - Texas Sheep Dog Assn. Finals
- Dec. 4 - Christmas Lighting Ceremony
- Dec. 5 - DeerFest
- Dec. 20 - Christmas Tour of Homes

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Obituaries

Baytown service for Pedro G. Gutierrez

Pedro G. Gutierrez, 68, of Baytown, died Sunday, Aug. 23, 1998, in a Baytown hospital.

Born Oct. 22, 1929, in Baytown, Gutierrez was a resident of Baytown most of his life. He was a retired foreman for Brown and Root Construction Co.

He was a member of Memorial Baptist Church and served in the U. S. Army.

Survivors include his wife, Ramona C. Gutierrez; son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Tammy Gutierrez of Mississippi; daughters and son-in-law, Teresa and P. J. Shoemaker of Montana and Daisy Aguilar of the Dominican Republic; brothers and sisters-in-law, Matias Gutierrez, Eriberto and Aurora Gutierrez and Hector and Juanita Gutierrez, all of Ozona; sisters and brothers-in-law, Armandina and Roman Maldonado of Ozona, Eustolia Villareal of Ozona and Estervina and John Isaacks of Baytown; grandchildren Josefa Vargas, Monica Vargas, Kimberly Gutierrez and Alejandro DeTorquemada and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held at Memorial Baptist Church with Dr. Mike Tignor officiating. Burial followed in memory Gardens Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Daniel Gutierrez, Matt Gutierrez, Rudy Villareal, Pete Maldonado, Robert Maldonado and Jesse Gutierrez.

Aug. 29 Service for Everado Ramoz

Everado "Lalo" Ramoz, age 76, of Ozona died Wednesday, Aug. 26, 1998, at his residence.

Funeral service was at 11 a.m. Saturday in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church with burial in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements were by Preddy Funeral Home.

Mr. Ramoz was born April 18,

1922, in Ozona and was a lifetime resident. He was a POW and a veteran of World War II. Mr. Ramoz was a member of the Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Eloise Sanchez Ramoz of Ozona; one daughter, Dorina Sanchez of Arlington; four sons, Humberto Ramoz, Eddie Ramoz, Charlie Ramoz and Ray Ramoz, all of Ozona; three sisters, Lillie Fierro of Los Angeles, CA, Lelia Tambunga and Nina Ramoz Connors, both of Ozona; one brother, Albert Alvarez Ramoz of San Angelo; 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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Card of Thanks

Mutt & I wish to say thanks to the ones that were so helpful when Mutt had surgery. Our appreciation goes to the members of the Church of Christ and also the Methodist and Baptist churches. Many thanks to those that brought food, for the many cards and the many friends that came by & visited. A special thanks to the EMTs, they are very professional. We are very fortunate having this good group of people. We also thank the ones that sent flowers & lovely plants. May God bless each of you in a special way.

Mutt & Mena Carnes

Less is more at First Place

By Audrey Glynn

When you hear a farewell that sounds like this: "So long, I'll see less of you next week," you'll know you're in the presence of members of First Place. And that is what all in the group strive for - not for fewer members, but for fewer pounds.

Or you might hear a member humming "Deep in the Heart of Texas", but the words they are thinking go like this:

We ate and ate, gained so much
Looked like the state of Texas
Got the blues, we've got to lose
All of our weight that's excess.
You'll agree we ought to be
Free of those pounds that vex us
If I help you and you help me
We'll really "ex" that excess.

But pounds are not all that is on our minds. We do have a time of

emphasis on nutrition, sharing recipes, learning our commitments, and a very sweet time of Bible study to look forward to. Our new study will be "Living the Legacy", a study from the Book of Ephesians, led by one of our continuing members. Our closing time is spent with sharing prayer requests and then the above-mentioned farewell.

Come on Sept. 9 at five o'clock to our orientational meeting for the 13-week program of First Place. First Baptist Church is the gathering place, and the Young Adult Department in the sanctuary building is where you'll find the smiling members who would like to share their experiences with you. You might want to call Jeannie Fuller, Barbara Malone, Jean Connor or Audrey Glynn for more information.

Luncheon nourishes body and soul

"Food for Thought", a come and go luncheon focusing on nutrition for the body and soul, will be held every second Thursday beginning Sept. 10 at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. The luncheon is from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and is sponsored by the Wesley Nurse Program. "Please join us for a stress free

meal which will include a short devotion led by the clergy of Ozona," invites Wesley Nurse Elizabeth Wadsworth.

There is no charge to attend, but donations are appreciated. An RSVP would be appreciated, but is not required. To RSVP, call 392-3060 or 392-2552.

Helping Hands Menu

- Monday, Sept. 7
Labor Day
No Meal
- Tuesday, Sept. 8
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert
- Wednesday, Sept. 9
Caldillo, Spanish Rice, Green Salad, Flour Tortillas, Dessert
- Thursday, Sept. 10
Pork Chops, Honeyed Carrots, Hominy, Rolls, Dessert
- Friday, Sept. 11
Tuna Sandwiches, Chips, Pickled Beets, Dessert

St. Therese Festival scheduled Sept. 13

St. Therese Catholic Church of San Angelo will host its annual festival Sunday, Sept. 13, in the Knights of Columbus Hall at 3636 N. Bryant Boulevard.

A barbecue brisket/German sausage dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with adult tickets or plates to go at \$6. Charge for children under 12 is \$4.

An auction begins at 1:15 p.m., and there will be a country store, games for all ages and drawings for a \$1,000 gift certificate to Sunset Mall and a hand-crocheted tablecloth.

Obituaries

John Held Jr. buried August 28



John Held Jr., long-time Ozona restaurateur, died Aug. 27, 1998, at the Crockett County Care Center. Services were held Friday at 5 p.m. in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Bill Fuller officiating. Masonic burial was at Cedar Hill Cemetery next to his wife of 60 years.

John Held was born June 24, 1901, in Greenville, second child and eldest son of Dr. John A. Held and Annie Hardie Held. Dr. Held was a distinguished Baptist minister in central Texas and Natchez, MS, for more than 50 years. As Dr. Held filled pastorates in successive cities, John lived in McKinney, Tyler, Natchez, Taylor, San Marcos, Stamford (where he graduated from high school), Bryan (where he attended Texas A&M University), and Mexia.

In 1918, while the family lived in Bryan, John left home and worked his way to California. There he joined the U. S. Army and served for three years, primarily in the Philippine Islands.

During this time, he learned something of the restaurant business and, in the Quartermaster Corps, about the logistics of food management. Back in Texas, he worked briefly in Houston, Shiner and Lubbock, then in the mid-1920s turned to the operation of restaurants, a business he continued almost without interruption for more than 60 years.

He owned or managed restaurants in Mexia, Ennis (where he married Berta Mae Howard in 1931), Navasota, Temple, Longview, Vinita, OK, Odessa and briefly, Victoria, before moving to Ozona in 1958 to take over the Hiway Cafe.

He operated the Hiway from 1958 until 1978, longer than any other restaurant among the 11 he operated. Even after closing the Hiway, he was engaged to consult on and virtually manage the Circle Bar restaurant and later to play the same roles in the Inn of the West Restaurant, working a full day well into his late eighties.

John Held and the Hiway Cafe became a joint legend in Ozona. Many years before most of the local restaurants began operation, the Hiway served as the town social center, beginning at 5 a.m. each morning - an hour before the restaurant officially opened. Ranchers and hunters sat around large tables drinking coffee, eating doughnuts, matching notes and regaling one another with the latest jokes and unlikely tales. John's hot rolls, pies, and chicken fried steaks were not only local favorites but were highly regarded by bus passengers and others passing through town.

Scores of Ozonans worked for John Held and still attest to his openness, firmness and fairness as an employer. It was quipped that everybody in Ozona either worked at the Hiway or ate there or both. John's welcoming smile, and for some years the smile of his wife, Berta Mae, was as familiar to Ozonans as the county courthouse.

Maintaining an optimistic, cheer-

"For whoever gives you eyes of water to drink in My name, because you belong to Christ, assured by I say to you he will by no means lose his reward."

"But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea."

Mark 9: 41-42

This message made possible by persons who value a soul.

ful outlook was second nature to John, who genuinely liked people and avoided arguments and holding grudges, calling them damaging to the spirit, mind and body. His enjoyment of people was shown in his enthusiastic presentation of Dale Carnegie courses in the 1960s. He claimed to be only a "pretty good country restaurant operator".

John's generosity with money, time and especially food was characteristic. No broke and hungry person was ever refused food at his restaurants - a compassionate echo of his own youthful penniless time of working his way to California. Many needy families received Thanksgiving and Christmas meals from the Hiway Cafe, as did persons and families who had suffered bereavement and persons confined to homes by severe illnesses. John considered that sharing food was the most rewarding aspect of having a food business.

Hundreds of Ozonans expressed personal concern when in January, 1971, John was critically injured when he fell from the roof of the Hiway Cafe building and landed on the concrete steps below. San Angelo doctors gave little hope for his survival, but after a few weeks he was back in the restaurant, in some pain but smiling again.

In the mid-1980s because the Helds' only son, John Charles, a distinguished Houston lawyer, was suffering a steadily advancing case of leukemia, John and Berta Mae reluctantly moved from Ozona twice, in 1985 and 1987, to be near him. Tragically, Berta Mae died in October, 1991, and John Charles less than three weeks later. As soon as he recovered from the shock, John returned to his beloved hometown of Ozona in early 1992. Incredibly, for the third time he recovered his original home and post office box number. Only in early 1998, after two bouts of hospitalization in San Angelo, at age 96, did John finally consent to give up living alone and to move to the Crockett County Care Center - so long as he could take his little dog, Missy, with him. Although he had earlier expressed high regard for the center, he still resisted moving to "an old folks home".

In fact, John enjoyed his months at the care center, where several of the staff were former employees of local restaurants he had managed. He and Missy contributed to the good spirits of the center.

John took his civic responsibilities very seriously. He helped organize the Ozona Chamber of Commerce and served as its president. He was active in regional restaurant association affairs and was president of the Texas Restaurant Association. He was a 32nd degree Mason for 71 years and was a Shriner for 56 years, in both of which he took great pride. He received a presidential citation for his five years with the regional selective service board. He was a lifelong Baptist and a strong supporter of the Ozona First Baptist Church.

John Held was preceded in death by his wife, Berta Mae, and his son, John Charles, as well as three sisters: Emilie Byars of Peoria, IL; Elizabeth Davis, Waco; and Ann Adine (Deanie) Johnson, Waco. He is survived by two brothers, Dr. McDonald Held, Billings, MT; and Dr. Colbert Held, Waco; one sister, Mrs. Helyn Davis, LaGrange; two daughters-in-law: Martha Held and Joanne Held, Houston; eight grandchildren: John Charles Held Jr., Jeffrey Held and James Held, all of Denver, CO; and Julie Held Moorhead, Houston; Slay Schlemeyer, Austin; Shane Schlemeyer, Houston; Shawn Schlemeyer, Odessa; and Shelly Rice, Houston; and several great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were: Jeffery Held, James Held, George Schlemeyer Jr., Michael Schlemeyer, Bill Mason and Joe Tobar. Honorary pallbearers were all past employees.

Memorials may be sent to Light-house for the Blind, Leukemia Society of America, Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children or similar charities.

Card of Thanks

To all our family members, friends and neighbors, we want to send our sincere thanks for all the beautiful flowers, the wonderful food, and for just being with us on the occasion when we most needed their support. Also Petra, Mr. Hearne and Preddy Funeral Home. From the bottom of our hearts.

Thank you — The family of Everado Ramos
Eloise, Humberto, Eddie, Charlie, Dorina & Ray

The Threshold of Heaven

By Dennis J. Prutow

The Old Testament saints of God went up to the temple to worship. They went to meet with God. For this reason many a psalm is called "A Song of Ascents". The church is the New Testament temple. Christians, "as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 2:5). Christians are being made

"into a holy temple in the Lord" (Ephesians 2:21), "a dwelling of God in the Sprits" (Ephesians 2:22).

Christians are also citizens of heaven (Philippians 3:20). When they gather, they come "to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to myriads of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect" (Hebrews 12:22-23).

The church is the very threshold of heaven.

One way people can draw near to God is by joining in the worship of God with the people of God. No wonder the saints of old and modern saints exclaim, "A day in Your courts is better than a thousand outside. I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness" (Psalm 84:10).

First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Rev. Bill Fuller Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.	Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.	Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Rev. Nancy Mossman Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.
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Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Rev. Daniel C. Fleming Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.	Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida 601 Ave. I Pastor Francisco Rojas Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 7 p.m.	Apostolic Church 307 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Hector De La Cruz Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m.
Harvest Time Christian Center 604 11th St. Rev. Mike Davis Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m.	Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Sunday Bible Study: 9:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship: 10:45 a.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 a.m.	Attend the Church of Your Choice This Sunday

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NEWS REEL SEPT. 4, 1969

News Reel

Don Edgerton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Edgerton, and a 4-H club member for nine years, was named winner of the Mother Davidson Memorial Trophy as outstanding 4-H club member for 1969, at the 4-H awards program in the Civic Center Tuesday evening.

News Reel

Funeral services for Tressie Lois Bingham, 55, wife of Gearo Bingham, were held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 31 at the First Baptist Church.

News Reel

After a dry beginning, August ended as one of the wettest months of the year in Ozona with a total rainfall of 3.39 inches. Most of the total came from rains last week and over the weekend.

News Reel

Enrollment jumped in all Ozona schools this week following the Labor Day holiday Monday. An increase of 30 students was reported Tuesday by Supt. L. B. T. Sikas.

News Reel

Johnny Childress of Fort Worth is here for a few days' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Applewhite, and grandmother Mrs. S. A. Coose.

News Reel

Grosse Mohler, former math teacher and coach in the Ozona school system, is the new B team coach and math teacher at Sonora this year.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McMullan spent the Labor Day weekend in Ruidoso, NM at the races.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Pancho McMullan

and children spent the weekend in Ruidoso, NM but returned to Ozona Monday in order that the children would not miss school Tuesday.

News Reel

In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ira E. Coats, on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary, a reception will be held at the Civic Center Saturday, Sept. 6.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Perner were in Ruidoso, NM for the holiday weekend.

NEWS REEL SEPT. 5, 1940

News Reel

Total deposits in the Ozona National Bank at the close of business yesterday reached \$1,340,831.02, highest mark ever reached by deposits in the local bank in its 35-year history.

News Reel

Mrs. Buddy Moore, Miss Elizabeth Couch and Miss Betty Dudley entertained with a bridal shower Wednesday afternoon at the home of Ms. Bryan McDonald honoring Mrs. Joe Friend, a recent Ozona bride.

News Reel

Mrs. Cleophas Cooke entertained members of her bridge club last Thursday afternoon in the dining room of the new Rendall's cafe.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Henderson left yesterday to enroll their son, Dick, in the New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell.

News Reel

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller, Richard, Jr., and Miss Louise Zenor returned Sunday from a 5,000-mile vacation trip to West Virginia and Maryland.

Poetry Society announces annual contest

Entries are now being accepted for the Permian Basin Poetry Society's fifth annual World Day of Poetry Contest. The contest is open to all Permian Basin residents.

Poems must be received by mail on or before Sept. 20. Each contestant may enter up to three original poems. There is no entry fee.

Complete rules and instructions for submission may be obtained at libraries and bookstores in Midland, or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Contest Rules, 4609 Tanforan, Midland, TX 79707.

Cash prizes for first, second and third place and honorable mention awards will be presented at the World Day of Poetry Festival to be held at the Center for Energy and Economic Diversification between Midland and Odessa on Saturday, Oct. 17.

Judge for this year's contest is poet Carol Coffee Reposa, who teaches English literature and writing at San Antonio College. Her poetry has appeared in numerous literary journals and several poetry anthologies. Her first book of poetry, *At the Border*:

Winter Lights, is in its second printing, and a second collection, *Green Room* is in press. Ms. Reposa will conduct a writing workshop and a reading of her poetry at the World Day of Poetry Festival.

The World Day of Poetry Festival is assisted by the University of Texas Department of Humanities and Fine Arts and funded in part by the Odessa Council for the Arts and Humanities, the Arts Assembly of Midland, and the Texas Commission on the Arts. The Permian Basin Poetry Society is a chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas.

Think spaghetti

Friday will be here before we know it. With the roar of the crowd comes the smell of spaghetti across the street from the stadium. "Helping Hands will start serving at 5 p.m., so come one and all to support our new building fund," invites Janet Hill McDaniel.

The cost is \$4.00 per person for all you can eat, and don't forget to put your name, address and phone number on the back of your tickets and drop them in the bucket at the door for the prizes to be given away at the close of the supper. You do not need to be present to be a winner.

"Thanks, Ozona, for your continued support," said Mrs. McDaniel.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY

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Keeping an eye on Texas

Texas' border a separate state?

If the 43 counties along the Texas border were a separate state, how would the Border state rank with other states in the U.S.?

	Texas among 50 states	Border as a 51st state	Texas, without Border state
	Rank number	Rank number	Rank number
Total area square miles	2nd 267,277	16th 79,423	2nd 187,854
Population in millions, July '96	2nd 19.1	24th 3.9	3rd 15.2
Married-couple families as a percent of all households	23rd 57.8%	6th 60.4%	29th 57.2%
Births per 1,000 population	3rd 17.2	1st 21.0%	7th 16.2
Employment growth annually '91-97	10th 2.7%	9th 2.9%	11th 2.6%
Unemployment rate	10th 5.4%	1st 8.0%	40th 3.7%

The 43 counties that make up the Border region include: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Brewster, Brooks, Cameron, Crockett, Culberson, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, El Paso, Frio, Hidalgo, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Kleberg, La Salle, Live Oak, Maverick, McMullen, Medina, Nueces, Pecos, Presidio, Real, Reeves, San Patricio, Starr, Sutton, Tarrant, Uvalde, Val Verde, Webb, Willacy, Zapata, and Zavala.

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, county- and state-level data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Bureau of the Census, National Center for Health Statistics, U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, Texas Department of Health, Texas Department of Public Safety, and Texas Workforce Commission.

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A TWO VEHICLE ACCIDENT OCCURED AT THE INTERSECTION of Ave. G and 11th Street last Friday afternoon. Photo by Susan Calloway

Cub Scout rally Sept. 10, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 10, at 7 p.m. prospective Cub Scouts will attend a sign-up rally. The youngsters and their parents are asked to meet at the Ozona Primary School Cafeteria at 7 p.m.

Anyone needing more information may call Cubmaster Jim White at 392-3450.

Happy Birthday

- Sept. 2 - C. M. Landin, Sandy Montgomery, Ricky Dominguez, Julia Carrizales, Milton Fowler, Donna Herring, Ruth Parker
- Sept. 3 - Margaret Tabb, Mikki Ramirez, Jackie Lara, Martin Cordova, Alda DeHoyos, Vanessa De La Garza, J. D. Brown, Aristeo Duenes
- Sept. 4 - Jimmy Lott, Oscar Gutierrez, Matt Gutierrez, Casey Ybarra, Amado Carrizales Jr., Mike Ledoux
- Sept. 5 - Marlena Sanchez, Melissa Kenard, Erik Duenes
- Sept. 6 - Zachary Beasley, Chelsea Spence, Harrell Hodges, Timothy Gentry, Dustin Glidewell, Levi Vargas
- Sept. 7 - Juan Garcia, Missy Jolley, Nat Hernandez, Victor Hernandez
- Sept. 8 - Jesslynn Fierro, Stacey Mendez, A. J. Martinez, Robert Tyler Flores

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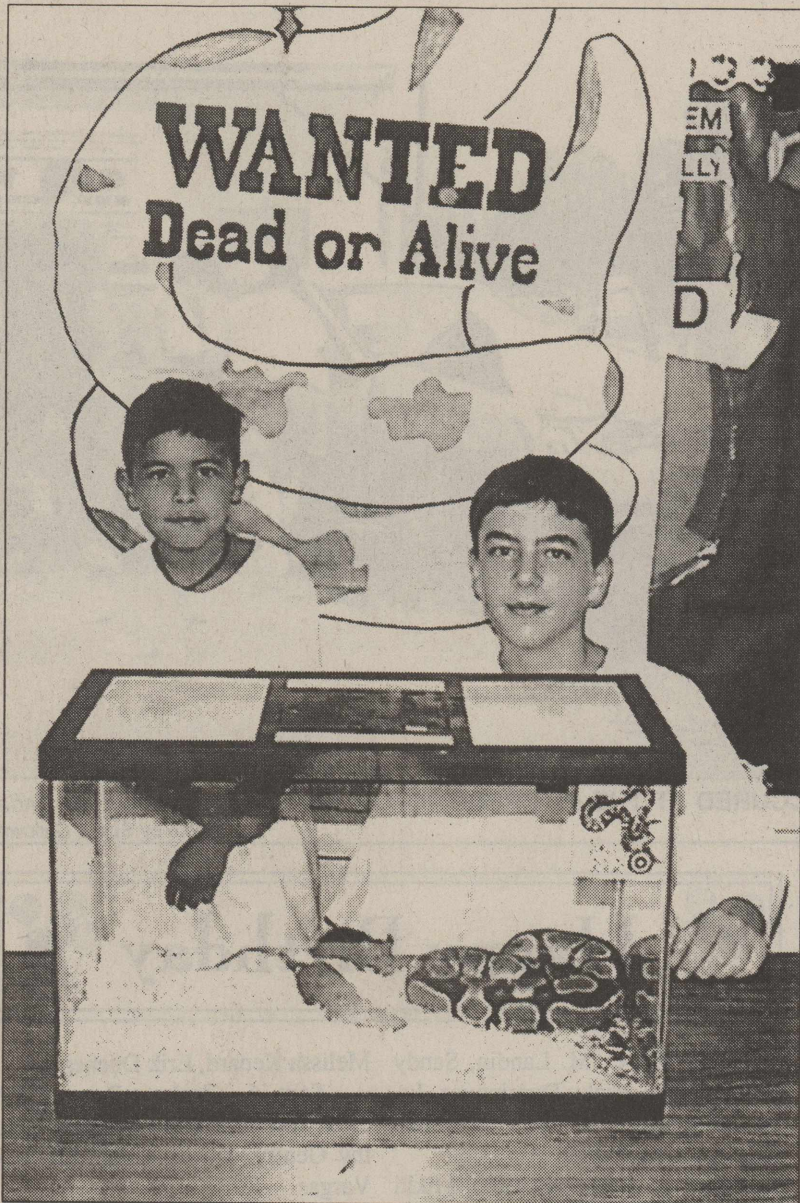
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FOLLOWING the Steps of Science method Johnny Villarreal and Toby Pagan conduct an experiment to determine whether this ball python prefers live or dead mice. The boys are students in Mrs. Mary Ann Deaton's science class at Ozona Middle School. DigiCam Photo by Susan Calloway

5th quarter begins Sept. 4 for students

Basketball and hamburgers are planned for the first "5th Quarter", which will be held in the Hoover Building of the First Baptist Church. The "5th Quarter" is open to all Ozona High School and Ozona Junior High students. Activities will begin right after the varsity football game Friday night.

Volunteers are needed to chaperone and help with activities. This week's refreshments will be provided by the First Baptist Church, and volunteers to cook and help in the kitchen

are always welcome, too. If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer, please call any of the participating church offices.

This year's schedule includes fun and exciting activities that will be held in a variety of places. Refreshments will be provided by each of the participating churches as follows:

Sept. 4 - Basketball, FBC Hoover Building

Sept. 11 - Oscar Zapata, "The Oz" illusionist with location to be determined. Food by Church of Christ

Sept. 18 - Youth skits and talent show, Methodist Church Fellowship Hall with food by Harvest Time Christian Center

Oct. 16 - Hay ride at Thompson Ranch with food by Methodist Church

Oct. 30 - Skating at convention center with food by Catholic Church.

Sullivan chosen for elite group

Shelly Sullivan has been selected as one of nine young women who will serve as Blue Jackets for the 1998-99 school year at Cisco Junior College.

Blue Jackets is founded on the formal purposes of serving as a hostess group on the campus, maintaining a wholesome spirit of loyalty among students and any organizations that may call upon it for service and promoting the policies of the institution.

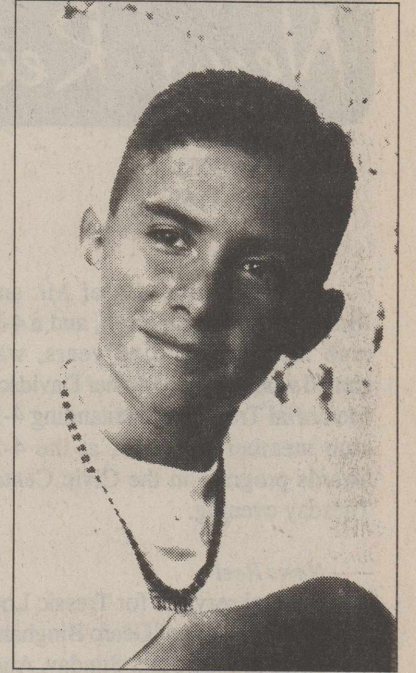
Members are selected by a faculty steering committee which received recommendations from the entire faculty. Members are selected on the basis of outstanding leadership - scholastic, social and ethical - and must have a three point or better grade average.

Guadarrama begins basic training

Army Pvt. Hilario G. Guadarrama has entered basic military training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, SC.

During the eight weeks of training, the soldier will study the Army mission and will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesies, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, Army history and traditions and special training in human relations.

Guadarrama is the son of Yolanda G. Borrego of Ozona and Jessie S. Guadarrama of Eldorado. He is a 1998 graduate of Ozona High School.



CHARLES VILLARREAL

Charles Villarreal on President's list

Charles Villarreal has been named to the President's List at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. The sophomore student earned a 4.0 grade point average.

He is majoring in electrical engineering and computer science and is on the Texas Tech cross country and track team.

Charles is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ismael Villarreal.

Band calendars go on sale

Band Boosters will be selling calendars to benefit the band again this year. Sales begin Sept. 1 and will continue through Sept. 15. You may buy your calendar through any high school or junior high band member or by contacting Roylan Sullivan at 392-3551.

Genealogy meeting Sept. 1 in San Angelo

The San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 1, in the Fellowship Hall of the Church of Christ at 901 Main Street in San Angelo.

Peg Gordon will give a program on her summer's research in the English archives.

Anyone interested in free lessons in beginning genealogy, taught by Bob Parks, should meet at the church at 6 p.m. prior to the regular meeting. Membership in the society is not necessary to take advantage of these lessons, which will be offered before every regular meeting.

The society meets the first Tuesday of each month, September through May. All meetings are open to visitors. For more information, call Myra Jujawa at 949-2308.

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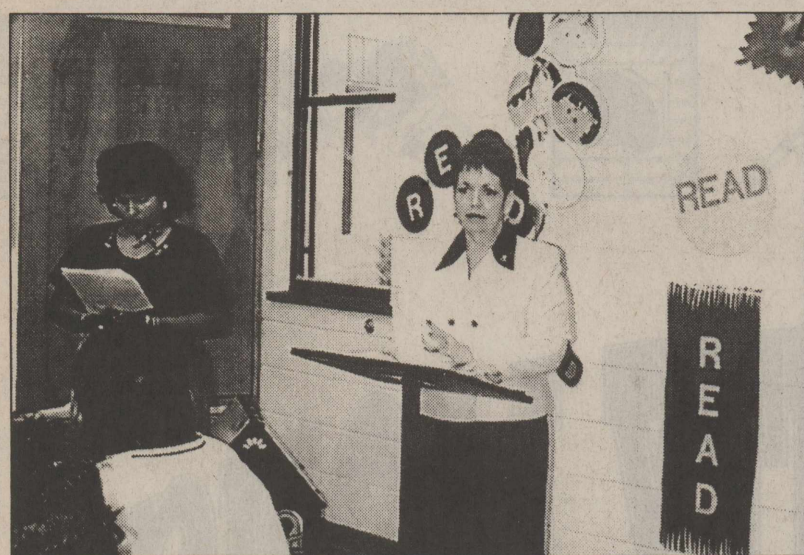
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MRS. MARILYN LUCE, Ozona Primary School principal, addresses parents during the the Pre-K/K Parent Night held August 31. DigiCam Photo by Linda Moore



THIS GROUP OF PARENTS listens to the program at the the Pre-K/K Parent Night held August 31 at Ozona Primary School. DigiCam Photo by Linda Moore

Ozona Primary School hosts pre-k/k parent night

Monday, Aug. 31, Ozona Primary hosted a pre-kindergarten/ kindergarten parent night that turned out to be a great success. The parents had an opportunity to meet their child's teacher and hear about the exciting year ahead. Parents also visited with the P.E. and music teacher, Coach Carolyn Taylor and Mrs. Stacie Riddle. Along with visiting with the teach-

ers, parents met with Mrs. Marilyn Luce and heard important information about attendance, tardies and other facts about Ozona Primary School. Mrs. Luce and the teachers would like to thank everyone who attended Monday night. Parent night for first and second grade will be Tuesday, Sept. 15.

Care Center Chatter

September is here and fall is coming soon. With a new season comes a lot of new activities, new outings and new residents at the care center. We all would like to welcome Ruby Butler and Laura McMullan, two new residents, to our home.

All the residents are thrilled to welcome our new friends, but we also had to say goodbye to three other friends. Erna Quisumbing said goodbye Saturday as she prepared to return home to the Philippines. We will all miss Erna and wish her luck and pray that God watch over her.

We also said goodbye to John Held who passed away Thursday at the care center. Mr. Held and his dog, Missy, came into our lives only a few months ago, but made a big impact in each of our lives. With his smile and friendliness, John made each day worth waking up for. Mr. Held's dog, Missy, left Saturday to go live with the family, and we all will miss her.

Bingo on Monday and Friday helped keep our minds off some of the pain. Moriama Perez was this week's top winner followed by Neva Palmer, Mae Gomez, Juana Hernandez, Laura McMullan and Hazel McDaniels. The residents always enjoy bingo and always welcome anyone who would like to help.

Residents enjoyed singing with the Baptist Church members on Tuesday and studying the Bible Thursday with visitors from the Methodist Church and Catholic Church. The Church of Christ gave a service on Sunday, and the volunteers from all the churches truly brightened our week.

This Friday, some of the residents will be attending the football game to cheer on the Lions, and we wish them luck in their first game. Anyone who would like to help walk the residents to the game and back is asked to con-

tact Chris or Lupe. Everyone who helps would be greatly appreciated.

And last, but not least, we would like to thank Western Drug and Village Drug for their generous contributions to our Country Store. The residents love the items and are spending their bingo money shopping. We are truly thankful. If anyone would like to make donations, contact Chris or Lupe at the care center.

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Sept. 8 - Chicken Fajita, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Peach Slices, Tortilla
 Sept. 9 - Cheeseburger, Salad, French Fries, Cookie
 Sept. 10 - Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Pears, Cornbread
 Sept. 11 - Chicken Nuggets, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Peas, Rolls

FAST FOOD

Sept. 8 - Tacos, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Ranch Style Beans, Peach Slices
 Sept. 9 - Chickburger, Salad, French Fries, Cookie
 Sept. 10 - Frito Pie, Pinto Beans, Cornbread, Pears
 Sept. 11 - Cheeseburger, Salad, Tator Tots, Rolls

BREAKFAST

All breakfasts are served with milk, juice, muffin, toast and jelly. You may have your choice of one of the following items each day. You may buy extra items for 25¢ each.

Sept. 8 - Sausage & Biscuit or Cream of Wheat or Cold Cereal
 Sept. 9 - Sausage & Egg Burrito or Cold Cereal
 Sept. 10 - French Toast or Cold Cereal
 Sept. 11 - Chorizo & Egg Burrito or Cold Cereal

Letter to the Editor

Just a few lines to let you know that we have enjoyed your paper. We look forward to receiving it again, so please continue my subscription.

Sincerely,
Mary Skehan

area with Ozona's contribution.

We are pleased to say the few that were so critical of the help and the tomatoes they received were far out numbered by volunteers and the thanks of others. We are so fortunate to have such a loving and caring community. Again, thanks to each of you who helped in any way.

Janet Hill McDaniel
Helping Hands Director

Western Jamboree here Saturday

Ozona's monthly Western Jamboree is set for Saturday, Sept. 5, on the square. Everyone is invited to bring a lawn chair and enjoy an evening of good music beginning at 7 p.m.

The event will be moved to the civic center if the weather is bad.

Dear Scotty and Linda,
Helping Hands was the recipient of tomatoes this past week. We need to say thanks to those that came to help unload and the ones from all the churches, the TDHS office, the sackers and distributors that helped get these handled in a timely manner.

A special thanks to those that came Friday to put tomatoes for Meals on Wheels in the freezer while others boxed clothes and other needed items to be shipped to Del Rio on Friday night and Saturday. We really appreciate the ones that drove to the flooded

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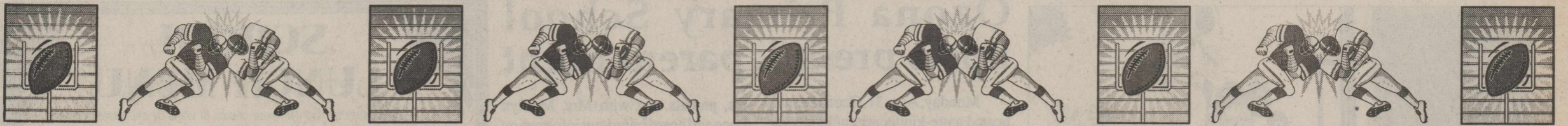
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1998 Ozona Lion Football Schedules

Varsity

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Sept. 4	Grape Creek	Home	8:00
11	Sterling City**	Home	8:00
18	Winters	Home	8:00
25	Iraan	There	8:00
Oct. 2	Rocksprings	There	8:00
9	Forsan*	Away	8:00
16	Sonora*	Home	8:00
23	Eldorado*	Away	8:00
30	Junction*	Home	8:00
Nov. 6	Wall*	Away	8:00

*Denotes District Games **Homecoming

Junior Varsity

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Sept. 3	Grape Creek	Away	6:30
10	Sterling City	Away	6:30
17	Winters	Away	6:30
24	Iraan	Home	6:30
Oct. 1	Rocksprings	Home	6:30
8	Forsan	Home	6:30
15	Sonora	Away	6:30
22	Eldorado	Home	6:30
29	Junction	Away	6:30
Nov. 5	Wall	Home	6:30

Junior High School

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	7th	8th
Sept. 3	Grape Creek	Home	5:00	6:30
10	Iraan	Home	5:00	Open
17	Reagan Co.	Home	5:00	6:30
24	Iraan	Away	5:00	6:30
Oct. 1	Rocksprings	Home	Open	5:00
8	Forsan	Away	5:00	6:30
15	Sonora	Home	5:00	6:30
22	Eldorado	Away	5:00	6:30
29	Junction	Home	5:00	6:30
Nov. 5	Wall	Away	5:00	6:30

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THE 1998-99 JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS are: (front row) Amy Ivey and Staci Sutton. Back row: Kimberly Flores, Amanda Carson and Erin Castro. Photo by Cameras Two



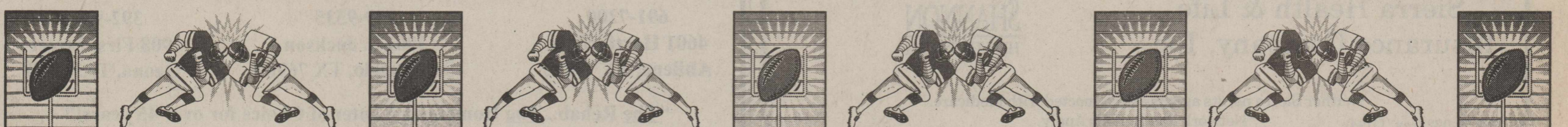
THE 1998-99 VARSITY CHEERLEADERS are: (back row) Kayla Shurley, Kristi Avila, Tiffany Maldonado and Summer Browne. Middle row: Michelle Gann, Codi Richardson, Rachel Murr and Kayla Turland. Front: Brittany Ellis, mascot. Photo by Cameras Two

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Texas monthly oil and gas statistics

July Permits to Drill
The Railroad Commission of Texas issued a total of 769 original drilling permits in July compared to 1,180 in July 1997. Total drilling permits for 1998 year to date is 6,238 down from 8,164 recorded during the same period in 1997. The July total included 516 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 30 to re-enter existing well bores, and 223 for re-completions.

Permits issued in July included 168 oil, 239 gas, 340 oil and gas, 11 injection and 11 other permits.

July Oil and Gas Completions
In July operators reported 448 oil, 446 gas, 46 injection and two other completions, compared to 396 oil, 354 gas and 30 injection completions during the same month of last year.

Total well completions for 1998 year to date is 6,696 up from 5,413 recorded during the same period in 1997.

Operators reported 702 holes plugged and 152 dry holes in July

compared to 630 plugged and 147 dry holes during the same period last year.

May Crude Oil Production
Texas preliminary May 1998 crude oil production averaged 1,253,420 barrels daily, down from the 1,315,166 barrels daily average of May 1997.

The preliminary Texas crude oil production figure for May 1998 is 38,856,005 barrels, a decrease from 40,769,528 barrels reported during May 1997.

Production in Crockett County for this period was 242,674 barrels.

May Natural Gas Production
Texas oil and gas wells produced 465,593,741 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas based upon preliminary production figures for May 1998, down from the May 1997 preliminary gas production total of 468,077,584 Mcf.

Texas production in May came from 158,349 oil and 51,853 gas wells. Crockett County was ranked sixth in the state with production of 12,154,520 Mcf.

Wildlife officials express concern over tainted corn

AUSTIN - Hunters looking for a bargain on deer corn this fall may be getting more than they bargained for, say state wildlife officials concerned about the threat to many game and nongame animals from grains tainted with a harmful biological toxin.

Aflatoxins are potent biological toxins produced by fungi of the genus *Aspergillus* and can be found on any high starch food item, like corn or other grains that are grown under drought conditions or are stored in hot and humid conditions. Animals ingesting corn containing aflatoxins are susceptible to liver damage and other diseases as the toxins suppress their immune response.

While there is no mandatory testing for aflatoxin, Federal Drug Administration rules do not allow corn tested at more than 20 ppb (parts per billion) of aflatoxin to be fed to dairy cattle, and Texas law requires corn containing more than 20 ppb to be labeled with the concentrations found in testing. Corn exceeding the allowable levels of aflatoxin for livestock is often sold as DEER CORN in untagged sacks to unsuspecting hunters.

Wildlife officials fear poor crop production this year, combined with stressful storage conditions, are ripe for aflatoxin, and could result in an abundance of tainted deer corn on the market. "Because there's not as much clean corn available this year, prices may escalate," said Jerry Cooke, program director for upland wildlife ecology with Texas Parks and Wildlife. "Land managers and hunters who implement supplemental feeding programs for wildlife, or who simply use corn as bait, will likely be looking out for good deals. When I buy corn or other grains for wildlife use, I don't buy anything that hasn't been tested and proven to contain less than 100 parts per billion aflatoxin. If it doesn't have a tag, I won't buy it, period."

"You've got to remember that just because you intend to feed it to deer, doesn't mean that only deer will be eating it," said Cooke. "There are many other species that will have access to that feed, and few of the other species are as hardy as deer." According to recent research conducted by the Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Unit (SECWDU) in Athens, GA, white-tailed deer fawns fed a diet of corn having 800 ppb of aflatoxin begin to show clinical signs of liver damage after only a few weeks of being on the diet. Eastern wild turkeys fed a diet of corn with 125 ppb of aflatoxin showed liver lesions after only three weeks. Chickens and quail are known to be more susceptible to aflatoxins than are turkeys. Samples



BARGAIN DEER AND TURKEY CORN—may not be such a good bargain after all. State wildlife officials say it is possible that it is tainted with biological toxin. Ozona Stockman file photo

processed in 1996 from across the country by SECWDU showed corn labeled as deer corn routinely contained 90-98 ppb aflatoxins.

In 1996, Texas unlabeled deer corn tested as high as 450 ppb and there is good indication that aflatoxins may be more prevalent and in higher concentrations this year than in 1996. Nearly all the corn tested this year (in dry land fields primarily in East Texas) has been positive for aflatoxins.

"Another problem with aflatoxins are that they are concentrated in individual kernels, rather than being spread uniformly throughout a sack, and a bird eating one kernel might ingest an extremely high level of toxins despite a moderate test average for the whole load from which the sack

came," Cooke explained. "Levels of aflatoxins may also continue to increase in tainted corn that is stored in a hot, humid place."

Cooke cited several examples of situations where aflatoxins could flourish, such as in deer feeders, when corn is packed in plastic bags, or when sacked corn is stacked in the open as it often is for DEER CORN at many stores. "These situations can result in significantly higher concentrations of the toxin in a relatively short period of time. If I were using deer corn, I would take precautions to limit the potential for aflatoxin. I don't buy unlabeled corn, I don't use poorly constructed feeders which can allow corn to become wet, I don't pour large piles of corn onto the ground, and I store it like I intend to eat it myself," says Cooke.

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"Until recently, doctors thought it was unnecessary, even harmful, to reduce blood pressure below 90," says Dr. C. Venkata Ram, clinical professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern medical center at Dallas. "But new research suggests correcting the level to 80 or below may dramatically reduce morbidity and heart attack rates, particularly in patients with pre-existing health conditions such as diabetes and coronary heart disease."

The first number - the systolic pressure - measures blood pressure when the heart contracts. The second number - the diastolic pressure - is the reading when it relaxes. Ram says people who take medication to treat hypertension should consult with their physicians about lowering the diastolic pressure even more.

"The bad news is that many of those who once thought they were stabilized at an ideal blood pressure level now have jumped back into the hypertensive category," he says. "The good news is that with proper medical care and medication, their blood pressure can be easily and effectively corrected."

Ten tips to get back in the swing of studying

If your brain remains on vacation mode after the first school bell has rung, you may need help getting back on the academic track. Before homework and tests overwhelm you, put these study tips into practice:

- Get enough sleep! A rested mind is a sharper mind. Eight to 10 hours of sleep a night will aid both attention span and concentration.
- Schedule study/homework sessions for the same time each day. A consistent schedule makes it easier to establish study time as a daily habit.
- Choose a quiet, comfortable place for study where basic supplies, such as paper, sharpened pencils, erasers, scissors, dictionary, etc., are handy. Again, consistency is helpful. Turn off the television and any loud music.

Use a calendar or planner to keep track of daily assignments.

- Don't procrastinate! Begin working on assignments the same day they are given, even if it's just to break the assignment into steps and set deadline dates for each task.

- If you get bored, switch to another subject/task for a while.

- Take short breaks every 30 to 60 minutes (the older the student, the longer he/she can go between breaks).

- Read every day; elementary students should begin with a minimum of 15 minutes.

- Whenever appropriate, encourage children to do their homework independently.

- Eat healthy meals and snacks. Just as with adequate sleep, nutrition can influence performance.

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Crockett County Sheriff's Report

WEEK ENDING AUG.31 ARRESTS:

8-26-98
Huddleston, Gary Scott, age 29, of Missouri was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. Subject posted bond on the charge and was released.

8-25-98
Burns, Branden, age 25, of Las Vegas was arrested by Department of Public Safety Trooper on a charge of contributing to a minor. Subject paid a fine on the charge and was released.

8-28-98
Caston, Cory J., age 20, of New Mexico was arrested by Department of Public Safety Trooper on a charge of failure to identify. Subject paid a fine on the charge and was released.

8-28-98
Onofre, Juan Arturo, age 44, of Ozona was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of public intoxication and disorderly conduct. Subject was fined on the charges and released.

8-29-98
Flores, Mario Alfonso, age 22, of Ozona was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of driving without a driver's license. Subject was released with time served.

8-29-98
Lozano Romulo Arturo, age 20, of Ozona was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on a charge of assault family violence. Subject remains in Crockett County Jail at this

time.
8-30-98
Renebome, Jeffery Peter, age 42, of Tennessee was arrested by Crockett County Sheriff's Deputy on charges of assault on a public servant and resisting arrest. Subject remains in Crockett County Jail at this time.

OFFENSE REPORTS:
8-25-98
Report of a burglary of building in reference to equipment being taken from the fieldhouse at the football field. Investigation continues at this time.

8-26-98
Report of an unattended death at a local residence on Piedra Street.

8-28-98
Report of assault family member in reference to an assault on a male subject on a residence on Hwy. 163 south.

8-28-98
Report of forgery, check, credit card in reference to counterfeit travelers checks being cashed at a local business. Investigation continues at this time.

8-29-98
Report of theft at the local high school in reference to a purse being taken from a classroom. Investigation continues at this time.

8-29-98
Report of burglary of a vehicle in reference to stereo equipment being taken from a pickup truck on Man O' War Street. Deputies picked up two male subjects for questioning.

8-29-98
Report of assault on a public servant in reference to an incident at the local bus stop. A male bus passenger was arrested and charged with assault on a public servant.

ACTIVITY REPORTS:
8-25-98
Deputies searched for a suspicious subject who abandoned his vehicle on Hwy. 290. Deputies were unable to locate the subject involved.

8-26-98
Report of a female subject of a suspicious noise in her backyard. Deputy responded to the area and was unable to locate anything.

8-26-98
Report of reckless drivers on 11th Street. Deputy responded and was unable to locate the vehicles involved.

8-26-98
Report of an unattended death at a local residence. Deputy responded and assisted the Justice of the Peace and funeral home personnel.

8-26-98
Report of welfare subjects at the Sheriff's Office who needed gas and something to eat. Deputy assisted the welfare subjects.

8-26-98
Report of a hitchhiker at a local motel.

causing problems with the employees. Deputy responded and transported the subject to the county line.

Deputy met with a complainant at the Sheriff's Office.
A report of a fire at a local residence. Deputy responded and assisted the fire department personnel with traffic control.

A report of loud music coming from a vehicle on Ave. J. Deputy responded but was unable to locate the vehicle involved.

A report of loud music coming from a vehicle at a local residence.
A report of an intoxicated subject being violent at his residence. Deputy responded and the problem was settled.

8-27-98
Report of a possible vehicle accident on Hwy. 163. Deputies responded to the area and were unable to locate any accident in the area.

A report of a female in reference to her daughter being harassed by other girls. Deputy spoke with subject involved and the problem was settled.

A report of a welfare subject that needed a bus ticket. Deputy responded and assistance was given to the subject.

A report of a suspicious person at a local business. Deputy responded, and the subject was brought to the Sheriff's office as a sleeper.

8-28-98
Report of a suspicious person at the Crockett Apartments. Deputy responded and the subject was gone from the area upon Deputy's arrival.

A report of a missing purse. Deputy took information from the subject.
Report of a vehicle accident. Deputy responded and assisted with traffic control in the area.

Deputies provided funeral escort for a local funeral home.
Deputy met with a subject who wanted information on a missing vehicle.

A report of an alarm at the school band hall. Deputy responded and everything was okay.
Sheriff's Office notified the border patrol of illegals that were spotted along I-10.

A report of a female subject who wanted a male subject removed from her residence. Deputy advised the female subject that she needed to file a complaint.

A report of a large object on the roadway on I-10 mile marker 368. Deputy responded and removed the object from the road.
A report of kids partying at a roadside

park eight miles out on Hwy. 163. Deputy responded and found the kids just talking. There was no criminal mischief.

8-29-98
Report of two male subjects who had taken some property from a parked vehicle. Deputy responded and two male subjects were picked up for questioning.

A report of an alarm at the high school shop building. Deputy responded and all was secured.
Deputies provided escort for a funeral.

Report of kids throwing rocks at vehicles off a bridge. Sheriff's Office advised DPS.
A report of a fire on I-10 at mile marker 378. Deputy responded and located a control burning.

A report of a male subject causing problems at the local bus station. Deputy responded and arrested a male subject.

8-30-98
Report of a possible prowler at a local residence. Deputy responded and reported all clear in the residence involved.

Deputy was dispatched to a local residence to check on the welfare of a subject who had called 911. Deputy advised that he had contacted a family member of the subject involved and they would take care of the subject.

A report of a fire on I-10 at mile marker 388. Deputy responded and advised that it was a controlled fire.
Deputy assisted with traffic control for an EMS until that was attending a female subject with chest pains on I-10.

A report of a subject cutting some trees down at a local residence while the homeowner was gone. Deputy responded to the residence, and all was cleared.
A report of a male subject walking into town from Hwy. 163 north. Deputy responded and was unable to locate subject.

8-31-98
Report of a male subject passed out on Santa Rosa Street. Deputy assisted in taking the subject home.
A local subject wanted to file unauthorized use of a motor vehicle charges on an incident that happened in San Angelo. Deputy advised the subject that he would have to file the charges in San Angelo.

A report of a reckless driver on Swaps Street. Deputy responded to the location and took the information on the vehicle involved.
A report of a subject threatening to shoot at some tanks behind a residence on Ave. E. Deputy responded to the area and took information.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

The Crockett County Consolidated Common School District #1 will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll by 6.4 percent. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on September 10, 1998, at 7:00 A.M., at the School Administration Board Room at 797 Avenue D, Ozona, Texas.

FOR the proposal: Elliott Barrera, David Bean, Veronica Tijerina, and George Ybarra
AGAINST the proposal: None
PRESENT and not voting: None
ABSENT: Wade Richardson and Dr. Marcus Sims

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$26,965	\$26,965
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 20,395	\$ 20,395
Average taxable value	\$ 6,575	\$ 6,575
Tax rate	\$1.30/\$100	\$1.389/\$100
Tax	\$ 85.47	\$ 91.32

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would increase by \$5.84 or 6.83 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$.089 per \$100 of taxable value or 6.84 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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Crockett County 4-H Horse Show completed

The Crockett County 4-H Horse Show began on Sunday, Aug. 16, but had to be canceled due to bad weather before it was completed. The show was finished on Sunday, Aug. 30. There were 40 local young people who participated in four different age categories, participating in the horse show were: Julia and Jenna Henderson, Kyann Kothman, Whitney, Weslee and Wendy Wilson, Rebecca, Laura and Marie Pierce, Murphey Black, Taylor Oglesby, LuCinda, Erica and Andrew Birkenfield, Allison and Bryan Skehan, Kristin and G. L. Bunger, Zane Coates, Aaron Renfro, Lakin Aaron, Dean, Cole and Millie Wadsworth, Clint, Clay and Trey Hale, Caleb Mitchel, Chase and Cade Clark, Jake and Lana Stewart, Ashlee Worley, Kimber, Ryan and Wesley Bean, Hayse Worthington, Jed Roane, Ty Allen and Cody Hunnicutt.

Maggie Davis of Sonora was on hand to serve as judge for the show. All around winners in each age category received a silver and turquoise buckle. All around winners were: 8 and Under - Julia Henderson and Murphey Black, tie; 9-11 girls - Kristin Bunger; 9-11 boys - Zane Coates; 12-13 girls - Laura Pierce; 12-13 boys - Chase Clark; 14-19 girls - Lana Stewart; 14-19 boys - Cade Clark

1998 Crockett County 4-H Horse Show Results

Showmanship at Halter - 14-19: 1 Lana Stewart, 2 Trey Hale, 3 Hayse Worthington, 4 Jed Roane, 5 Cody Hunnicutt
 Showmanship at Halter - 12-13: 1 Chase Clark, 2 Jake Stewart, 3 Bryan Skehan, 4 G. L. Bunger, 5 Clay Hale
 Showmanship at Halter - 9-11: 1 Zane Coates, 2 Aaron Renfro, 3 Lakin Aaron, 4 Dean Wadsworth, 5 Kristin Bunger
 Showmanship at Halter - 8 and Under: 1 Kyann Kothman, 2 Murphey Black, 3 Rebecca Pierce, 4 Julia Henderson
 Western Pleasure - 14-19: 1 Lana Stewart, 2 Hayse Worthington, 3 Jed Roane, 4 Trey Hale, 5 Cade Clark
 Western Pleasure - 12-13: 1 Laura Pierce, 2 Clay Hale, 3 Chase Clark, 4 Bryan Skehan, 5 Jake Stewart
 Western Pleasure - 9-11: 1 Wendy Wilson, 2 Jenna Henderson, 3 Weslee Wilson, 4 Allison Skehan, 5 Kristin Bunger
 Walk-Trot (Western Pleasure) - 8 and Under: 1 Murphey Black, 2 Rebecca Pierce, 3 Whitney Wilson, 4 Kyann Kothman, 5 Julia Henderson
 Western Riding - 14-19: 1 Lana Stewart, 2 Trey Hale, 3 Ashlee Worley, 4 Cody Hunnicutt, 5 Hayse Worthington

Western Riding - 12-13: 1 Clay Hale, 2 Chase Clark, 3 Laura Pierce, 4 G. L. Bunger, 5 Jake Stewart
 Western Riding - 9-11: 1 Kristin Bunger, 2 Allison Skehan, 3 Aaron Renfro, 4 Zane Coates, 5 Wendy Wilson
 Barrels - 14-19: 1 Kimber Bean, 2 Hayse Worthington, 3 Cody Hunnicutt - tie, 4 Lana Stewart, 5 Cade Clark
 Barrels - 12-13: 1 Clay Hale, 2 Jake Stewart, 3 G. L. Bunger, 4 Bryan Skehan, 5 Laura Pierce
 Barrels - 9-11: 1 Zane Coates, 2 Lakin Aaron, 3 Weslee Wilson, 4 Aaron Renfro, 5 Taylor Oglesby
 Barrels - 8 and Under: 1 Julia Henderson, 2 Whitney Wilson, 3 Murphey Black
 Flags - 14-19: 1 Cade Clark, 2 Wesley Bean, 3 Kimber Bean, 4 Trey Hale, 5 Hayse Worthington
 Flags - 12-13: 1 Bryan Skehan, 2 Chase Clark, 3 Jake Stewart, 4 Laura Pierce, 5 G. L. Bunger
 Flags - 9-11: 1 Kristin Bunger, 2 Zane Coates, 3 Clint Hale, 4 Dean Wadsworth, 5

Lakin Aaron
 Flags - 8 and Under: 1 Julia Henderson, 2 Kyann Kothman, 3 Whitney Wilson, 4 Murphey Black, 5 Rebecca Pierce
 Pole Bending - 14-19: 1 Kimber Bean, 2 Lana Stewart, 3 Hayse Worthington, 4 Wesley Bean, 5 Cody Hunnicutt
 Pole Bending - 12-13: 1 G. L. Bunger, 2 Bryan Skehan, 3 Laura Pierce, 4 Jake Stewart, 5 Clay Hale
 Pole Bending - 9-11: 1 Zane Coates, 2 Kristin Bunger, 3 Clint Hale, 4 Allison Skehan, 5 Lakin Aaron
 Pole Bending - 8 and Under: 1 Julia Henderson, 2 Murphey Black, 3 Rebecca Pierce
 Goat Tying - 14-19: 1 Ryan Bean, 2 Ashlee Worley, 3 Cade Clark, 4 Lana Stewart
 Goat Tying - 12-13: 1 Clay Hale, 2 Jake Stewart, 3 Bryan Skehan, 4 G. L. Bunger, 5 Chase Clark
 Goat Tying - 9-11: 1 Kristin Bunger, 2 Aaron Renfro, 3 Clint Hale, 4 Allison Skehan, 5 Dean Wadsworth
 Hair Pulling - 9-11: 1 Kristin Bunger, 2 Zane Coates, 3 Allison Skehan, 4 Clint Hale, 5

Aaron Renfro
 Hair Pulling - 14-19: 1 Cade Clark, 2 Ryan Bean
 Hair Pulling - 12-13: 1 Clay Hale, 2 Bryan Skehan, 3 G. L. Bunger, 4 Jake Stewart
 Goat Roping - 14-19: 1 Cade Clark, 2 Ashlee Worley, 3 Ryan Bean
 Goat Roping - 12-13: 1 Chase Clark, 2 G. L. Bunger, 3 Bryan Skehan
 Tie Down Roping - 14-19: 1 Cade Clark, 2 Ryan Bean
 Breakaway Roping - 14-19: 1 Ashlee Worley
 Breakaway Roping - 12-13: 1 G. L. Bunger, 2 Bryan Skehan, 3 Clay Hale, 4 Chase Clark
 Ribbon Roping - 14-19: 1 Ryan Bean, 2 Cade Clark, 3 Ashlee Worley
 Ribbon Roping - 12-13: 1 Chase Clark, 2 Clay Hale, 3 Bryan Skehan, 4 G. L. Bunger, 5 Jake Stewart
 Ribbon Roping - 9-11: 1 Clint Hale
 Team Roping - 14-19: 1 Cade Clark
 Team Roping - 12-13: 1 Chase Clark



KAYLEA REA DEWS is whipping up chocolate pound cake with her new Easy Bake oven with her grandmother Wanda DeWS. The 5 year-old is the daughter of Andy and Lisa DeWS of Stafford, Texas
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Internet prompts revolution in education: new opportunities abound to fill need for students

A young female cable installer with two small children wants to get a college degree but cannot leave her children alone in the evenings to attend classes. A middle-aged construction worker wants to take college courses but there is no campus nearby. A female executive needs to get her master's degree in order to get promoted, but is too overworked to attend a three-hour evening class two times a week. Are their educational goals out of reach?

Not at all, according to D. Quinn Mills, Harvard University professor and chairman of New Promise, a Web site (www.newpromise.com) that helps people find the college courses they need on the Internet.

Cost, convenience and accessibility are driving a cyberspace revolution in education. Thousands of college courses are now being offered on the Internet, allowing people to attend class at home or while taking a break at work, at a very affordable cost.

Today, you can find more courses under more topics on the Internet than on any one campus anywhere, states Professor Mills. And new methods of Internet teaching are improving at a rapid pace, including perfect audio, real-time and 3-D images.

Soon course texts will include

frequent updates from the author of the text, as well as the professor who is teaching the course, and you'll be able to key in questions that come to mind as you're reading the assignment. New software will immediately answer your questions as well as search the entire course reading assignments in search of possible themes.

Students across the nation are embracing education via the Internet. Eighty-five percent of the students taking classes on the UCLA Extension Internet say their learning experience is as good as or better than that of the on-campus classroom. Many prefer the e-mail chat groups with fellow students that help them explore assignments together, as well as the ability to view a lecture or a visual demonstration again and again. Many students also find it less intimidating to ask questions through e-mail than in a traditional classroom setting.

Online courses are also a great alternative for physically challenged students, traditional students who have a conflict in their class schedules, and individuals who simply can't afford the usual tuition fees.

But, how do individuals who want to pursue their education locate and sort through the thousands of college courses being offered on the World

Wide Web? This dilemma prompted the creation of the New Promise Web site, which helps people carefully select the appropriate college courses by describing and rating them, then listing them by title, topic (math, economics, etc.), college or university, and degree program.

"We've positioned New Promise at the forefront of the coming revolution in cyberspace," notes Mills. "It's the portal to higher education on the Internet." He adds that New Promise lists only fully accredited schools and is the only comprehensive source of its kind. Currently New Promise lists over 600 courses, including ones from Harvard, UCLA, and Michigan State University.

Certainly, online education is only expected to increase, as the quality of Internet education skyrockets and the cost of computers and Internet Service Providers (ISPs) continues to decline. Today there are more than 100 million users accessing the Internet; in the next seven to 10 years, experts predict the numbers will top one billion.

For more information on cyberspace education, contact the Carol Nash Group at 888-562-2874, or visit the New Promise Web site at www.newpromise.com.

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1998 Property Tax Rates in CROCKETT COUNTY
CROCKETT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED

This notice concerns 1998 property tax rates for COMMON SCHOOL DIST. #1. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the school district used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the school district can set before it must hold a rollback election. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	\$	
Last year's operating taxes	9,751,098	
Last year's debt taxes	-	
Last year's total taxes	9,751,098	
Last year's tax base	751,113,621	
Last year's total tax rate	1.30	/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:	\$	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	9,736,773	
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	740,038,100	
= This year's effective tax rate	1.31571	/\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:	\$	
Amount of local taxes needed based on state funding formulas and 1998-99 student enrollment	8,393,497	
+ This year's adjusted tax base	747,207,150	
= This year's local maintenance and operation rate OR adopted 1996 maintenance and operation rate	1.12331	/\$100
= This year's maintenance and operation rate (use greater of 2 rates above)	1.31000	/\$100
+ \$0.08	1.39000	/\$100
+ Rate increase adopted for 1997-98 school year	-	/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	.08900	/\$100
+ Rate to recoup loss certified by commissioner of education	-	/\$100
= This year's rollback rate	1.47900	/\$100

For a school district with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

+ Additional rate for pollution control	-	/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	1.47900	/\$100

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances
 The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
LOCAL MAINTENANCE	\$ 3,384,013

Schedule B
1998 Debt Service
 The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 1998	\$ 550,000.00	\$ 105,484.00		\$ 655,484.00
<i>(expand as needed)</i>				
Total required for 1998 debt service				\$ 655,484.00
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				-
- Excess collections last year				-
- State aid for facilities				-
= Total to be paid from taxes in 1998				\$ 655,484.00
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 98 % of its taxes in 1998				\$ 668,861.00
= Total Debt Levy				\$.089

Schedule C
Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax
 (For hospital districts, cities, and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes)
 In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$ _____ in additional sales and use tax revenues. For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

Schedule D
State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)
 The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent \$ _____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____, 19____, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Schedule E
Transfer of Department, Function, or Activity
 The _____ spent \$ _____ from _____ to _____ on the _____ . The _____ operates this function in all or a majority of the _____ . (Second Year of Transfer: Modify schedule to show comparison of amount this year and preceding year by unit receiving the function.)

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at CROCKETT COUNTY TAX OFFICE

Name of person preparing this notice TOM STOKES
 Title TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR
 Date prepared 08/31/98

Texas Grand Slam tickets available now

There are two ways to claim Texas' four most sought-after big game animals: spend a lifetime hunting and hope to get lucky, or apply that luck on the \$10 purchase price of a ticket for a chance to win the Texas Grand Slam.

The Texas Grand Slam is a unique program administered by Texas Parks and Wildlife in which applicants are entered into a drawing for one person to win a dream trip hunting package consisting of separate hunts for desert bighorn, white-tailed deer, pronghorn antelope and desert mule deer. Proceeds generated from the Texas Grand Slam will be returned to fund Texas desert bighorn sheep restoration, big game research, habitat conservation and public hunting projects in Texas.

"Not only is this an opportunity to win a set of hunts of a lifetime," said Kirby Brown, Texas Grand Slam program coordinator for TPW, "but all the proceeds go back to restoring and managing these species."

Even if applicants don't win the grand prize this year, they now have a chance to be a first place prize winner. In addition to the Grand Slam winner, three additional names will be drawn, each of whom will receive a white-tailed buck hunt on the Kerr Wildlife Management Area and a lifetime Texas resident hunting license (valued at \$1,000).

Texas Grand Slam tickets may be purchased wherever Texas hunting and

fishing licenses are sold. Or they can be brought through TPW's toll-free, 24-hour number (1-800-TX-LIC-4-U) using Visa or MasterCard -from the menu select number 2 and ask for license type 444. Official rules and registration form are also available on the Internet at www.tpwd.state.tx.us/hunt/pubhunt/slamrule.htm.

The Texas Grand Slam prize is not transferable, although tickets may be purchased as gifts in the name of other individuals. Applicants in the Texas Grand Slam must be 17 year of age or older and may enter as often as they like. The deadline for entry is Nov. 7, 1998. The drawing will be conducted in mid-November.

The Texas Grand Slam hunts will be conducted on TPW managed lands or private ranches known to produce trophy animals. The lucky winner will embark on two hunts during the upcoming season: a desert mule deer hunt in late November or early December and a white-tailed deer hunt between mid-November and early January. The pronghorn antelope hunt will be conducted in early October 1999 and the desert bighorn ram hunt in November 1999 or as determined by the availability of the next harvestable sheep.

Hunting guides, food, lodging, local transportation and complete shoulder mount taxidermy services by Woodbury Taxidermy will be provided. The drawn applicant will be awarded the right to participate in all four hunts and may take along a non-hunting companion. However, the hunt package is not transferable.

Both past winners completed their Texas Grand Slams, with last year's recipient Bill Britain of Amarillo taking a Boone and Crockett record book quality desert bighorn ram and pronghorn antelope.

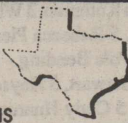
"To call this a Grand Slam is putting it mildly," said Britain. "This is a world class opportunity to be able to hunt all these animals in one package. The quality of these whitetail and mule deer hunts alone are way out of the reach of most Texas hunters, and considering the rarity of a desert bighorn sheep hunt, it's truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

WEEKLY REPORT



Congressman
Henry Bonilla

23rd District, Texas



Agriculture producers get squeezed on all fronts

Texas farmers and ranchers, as well as agriculture producers across a good part of America, are struggling to survive from two very destructive, but very different, problems. I am hearing first-hand from South and West Texas producers about their concerns so Congress can better address this very trying situation.

The first and most immediate problem taunting producers right now is the drought. The lack of rain is hitting producers extremely hard. Some producers are teetering on the brink of bankruptcy because crops have been scorched to the point that they are not worth anything. Corn, wheat, cotton and many other crops are left withering in dry fields because they're too damaged to sell.

On a completely different front is an equally damaging problem that producers have had to face for far too long now. Foreign-produced commodities are flooding the markets, driving down commodity prices. These commodities are heavily subsidized by these foreign governments, and often these governments make it difficult to sell our products in their countries. Free trade should mean fair trade, but as we have seen, that hasn't always been the case for America's agriculture producers.

American agriculture producers are the best in the world. We have the best in science, technology, equipment and infrastructure. When given the chance to operate on a level play-

ing field, there is no argument that American producers far out-shine their foreign counterparts. We need to press the case against foreign governments that don't play by the rules.

In the United States, we enjoy the world's safest, most plentiful and cheapest food supply. We owe a debt of gratitude to producers in Texas and all across this country for those luxuries. But our producers are not getting a fair shake. They are not getting the economic returns they so deserve - economic returns that open global markets would provide.

Texas producers know that opening foreign markets would help stabilize prices. We must diversify our trade with foreign markets and lower the risk to our producers. We need to do everything we can to level the playing field for our producers so they can prosper in a fairer world marketplace. We owe them that.

The drought is a national crisis, no doubt about it. And producers have had to endure the added long term problems of low commodity prices for far too long. Thank you for letting me and my colleagues in Congress know your concerns about the drought and the difficulties you struggle with daily under the current trade policies. Your voices have been heard. We must continue to fight together so that producers in Texas and across the country make it through these twin threats to American agriculture.

Officials worried about Australian cattle dumping

Independent Cattlemen's association of Texas (ICA) officials today voiced alarm at what appears to be efforts by Australian cattle exporters to skirt U.S. quarantine regulations on imported cattle. Recently, reports have surfaced that Mexico has received a shipment of 5,000 head of "feeder cattle" destined for the U.S. market. These cattle are across the Texas border awaiting shipment to U.S. feedlots.

Cattle destined for sale in the U.S. must remain under strict quarantine for a minimum of thirty days to guard against the spread of foreign diseases that could infect domestic cattle herds. The quarantine period begins when the cattle are off-loaded onto U.S. soil so inspectors can keep close watch for any problems.

While Mexico also has quarantine requirements, the Mexican government allows the quarantine period to begin while the cattle are on the ship. This would effectively complete the quarantine period by the time the ship arrives in Mexico from Australia allowing for transshipment to Texas.

"Our concern is that this is a willful attempt to circumvent U.S. law at the expense of Texas cattle produc-

ers," said Charles Carter, Executive Director of the ICA. "We urge all cattle producers to contact their congressmen and senators to oppose this action," he added.

Texas ranchers are currently facing the daunting task of maintaining their herds as grazing pastures disappear and stock tanks dry up in the second devastating drought to hit Texas in three years. "If these Australian cattle are dumped on the already depressed Texas cattle market, it may be the final nail in the coffin of many Texas producers," said John Brown, President of the ICA.

This is the first time that Australia has imported feeder cattle destined for Texas feedlots. Reports indicate that these animals are arriving in Mexico at 40 cents per pound. Because of quarantine and testing requirements, as well as shipping costs, this extremely low price has led to concerns by industry analysts that this importation may constitute a dumping action by Australia.

"If an import permit is approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for these 5,000 animals, a dangerous precedent would be set that could lead to a wholesale dumping on our already overstocked feed lots," Carter said.

Permian Basin Weekly Rig & Drilling Summary

(Districts 7C, 8, 8A & New Mexico)

Weekly Rig Count

Aug. 28, 1998

Compiled by Hughes Christensen and Tracer Supply Inc.-San Angelo, Texas

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Irion	1	Culberson	0
Kimble	0	Ector	2
McCulloch	0	Glasscock	2
Menard	0	Howard	2
Reagan	0	Hudspeth	0
Runnels	0	Jeff Davis	0
Schleicher	0	Loving	1
Sutton	4	Martin	1
Terrell	1	Midland	4
Tom Green	0	Mitchell	0
Upton	2	Pecos	2
		Presidio	0
		Reeves	1
		Stirling	1
		Ward	2
		Winkler	4
		Terry	1
		Yoakum	0

Total rotary rig count (P.B.-Texas) this date: 69

Weekly Drilling and Completion Report

Compiled by Charles Lewis Communications, Lindale, Texas

Sept. 2, 1998

First production figures have been filed for the No. 19 C. E. Davidson, Jr. "B" seven miles southeast of Ozona in Crockett County's Davidson Ranch Field.

The new gasser flowed at the rate of 505,000-CFD on a 1.375-in. choke and earned a 6,271,000-CFD evaluation on absolute open flow. Bottomed at 8,200 feet, it will produce from 7,828 to 8,084 feet into the hole in the Penn Formation. Texaco Exploration & Production Co. is the operator.

The No. 6 Laura Hoover Estate "41D" has been completed 28 miles southwest of Ozona in Crockett County's Ozona Field with Union Pacific Resources Corp. as the operator.

Rated at 932,000 CF gas per day on open flow, the well showed ability to yield 812,000 CF gas daily on a 1.25-in. choke. It probed to 7,646 feet total depth and will produce from 6,746 to 7,274 feet into the wellbore.

Altura Energy Co. recently completed the No. 1 Mitchell 10 in Crockett County's JMW Field, 25 miles southwest of Sheffield.

The 11,778-ft. well flowed 1,829,000-CFD on a 1.25-in. choke and earned a 2,600,000-CFD rating on absolute open flow. Bottomed at 11,778 feet, it will produce from 11,489 to 11,668 feet into the hole.

Crockett County's Hunt Baggett Field gained new production when the No. 9 Baggett "C" was completed 11 miles southeast of Ozona with Sonat Exploration Co. as the operator.

Flowing 566,000-CFD on a 1.25-in. choke, the well was evaluated at 608,000-CFD on absolute open flow. With 9,600 feet total depth, it will produce from 9,170 to 9,342 feet into the hole.

A developmental oil well has been brought on line 15 miles east of Iran in Crockett County's Olson Field. It is known as the No. 4 Noelke "20" with Marathon Oil Co. as the operator.

Pumping 57 barrels of oil daily, the well was bottomed at 2,577 feet. It will produce from an interval ranging from 2,204 to 2,254 feet into the wellbore.

Operating out of Dallas, J. Cleo Thompson is preparing to make hole for the No. 2 Henderson 27 about 12 miles southwest of Ozona in Crockett County's West Hunt-Baggett Field.

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The Texas Section, Society for Range Management will hold its 48th annual meeting in October at the Holiday Inn in Midland. The meeting is open to all individuals and organizations interested in the management and conservation of rangelands. Theme of the meeting is "Texas Rangelands: In the Public's Eye".

The meeting begins Thursday, Oct. 8, with a sporting clay shoot and a Confederate Air Force Museum tour. On Friday, Oct. 9, from 8:30 a.m. until noon there will be a session titled "How Nontraditional Stakeholders

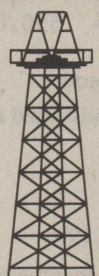
View Texas Rangelands". Speakers have been invited from Hollywood, CA; the Texas legislature, state agencies, the Sierra Club and other entities. Technical sessions on all aspects of rangeland management and ecology will be featured on Saturday, Oct. 10.

In addition to the formal program, a ranchers' breakfast will be held Friday morning. Program activities also include a spouses tour, a photo contest and a plant identification contest. A pre-convention oil field reclamation tour is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 7. The bus will depart from the Holiday Inn in Midland and travel to the Big Lake area.

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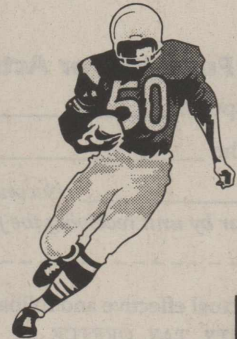
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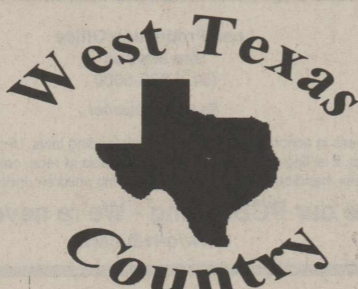
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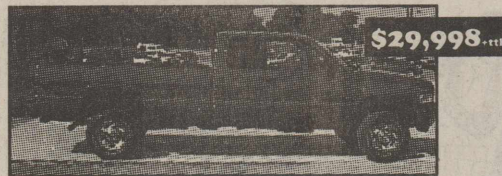
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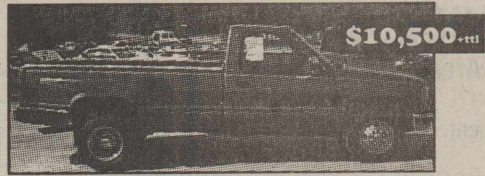
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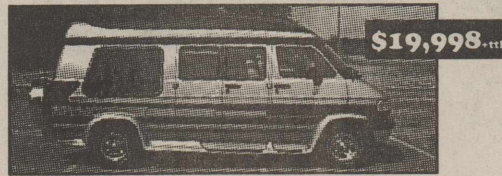
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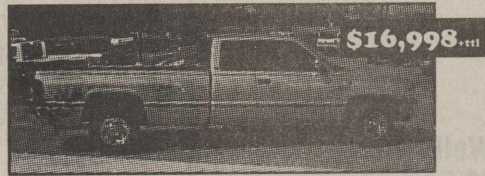
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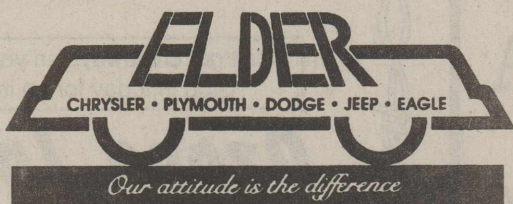


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